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SUBJECT: SPICAL INSPECTION OF FBO

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WE HAVE NO ALLEGATIONS OR SERIOUS OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS TO BRING TO S/IG ATTENTION. HOWEVER, EXPERIENCE HERE PROVES THAT FBO BUILDING MAINTENANCE COSTS CAN BE GREATLY REDUCED BY CAREFUL ANALYSIS AND CLOSE SUPERVISION OF ALL MAJOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE WORK BY A USG BUILDING EXPERT. OUR GOOD FORTUNE IS HAVING SUCH AN EXPERT ASSIGNED HERE AS AID GSO HAS SAVED OVER \$100,000 ON MAINTENANCE AND RENOVATION OF FBO BUILDINGS IN THE PAST 18 MONTHS. REPLACEMENT OF THE SUPPOSEDLY-LEAKING CHANCERY ROOF WAS PROVED UNNECESSARY. CLOSER SUPERVISION OF THE LOCAL PLUMBERS WHO INSTALL THE RESIDENCE PLUMBING 5 YEARS AGO COULD HAVE AVOIDED THE PAST YEAR'S \$25,000 REPLACEMENT OF THE SYSTEM NECESSITATED BY FAULTY JOINTS. IN SUMMARY, WE ARE CONVINCED THAT A RETURN TO PRE-BALPA SYSTEM OF ASSIGNING FBO REGIONAL BUILDING EXPERTS ABROAD WOULD PAY FOR ITSELF MANY TIMES OVER. DAVISON

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